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These lights that we kindle ... what are they for?

The Rabbis in the Talmud argue (what a surprise) about what is the true mitzvah of Hanukkah. Every detail of the holiday matters, from the glow of the candles to the smell of fried latkes, but what is the one moment that encapsulates the entire holiday? Some argue that the core of the holiday is placing the *hanukiah* (menorah) in the window so that all the world will know the miracle that was wrought for our ancestors. Others argue that the mitzvah of the holiday isn't complete until we light the candles, and it is that holy fire which embodies Hanukkah. The Rabbis resolve the dispute, but more interesting than their answer is the question itself. What is more important: placing the menorah in the window, or lighting the candles?

Behind this question is a question about what the holiday of Hanukkah is meant to be for the Jewish people. Placing the menorah in the window is a statement of presence: there was a brutal war, we were almost wiped out, but we made it; we are still here, and

here we will remain. We publicize not only the miracle but also our presence. Placing the menorah in the window shows that we have no fear or need to hide as Jews have had to hide before. Placing the menorah in the window is a sign of permanence.

Lighting the candles is impermanent. The fire flickers, burns brightly, and eventually burns out. Yes, the candles also remind us of God's miracles and that our people have survived through so much strife. But lighting candles which will burn out is not a message about the temporary nature of our people; rather it is a symbol of how our people have endured. The candles go out but are rekindled the next night and then the next and then again the next year and so on and on. Lighting the candles reminds us that we must continually rekindle our Jewish identities. The permanence of our people is based on all Jews continually renewing themselves and their commitment to Judaism.

The rabbis decide that it is the lighting that embodies the holiday. Thus we say the blessing when we light, not when we place the *hanukiah*, and the blessing says: "Blessed are you Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us through **lighting the candles of Hanukkah.**" The word *Hanukkah* itself means "dedication" or "rededication." This month let us rededicate ourselves to kindling our Jewish identities. Come to a PAS Conversations master class or to the winter concert. Consider Jewish camp for your children next summer. Read one of the Jewish Lives biographies and participate in a discussion group. Join a study circle. Come to services and join your voice to those of your community.

As we prepare to light the candles this month, let us renew our commitment to Jewish learning, Jewish art, Jewish history, Jewish literature, and our Jewish selves.

Hag Urim Sameah, Happy Festival of Lights!



Hanukkah Candle Lighting

Beginning at the far right, put the candles in the Hanukkiah from right to left, the direction of Hebrew writing. Light the candles from left to right, so each night you light the newest candle first. If possible, place the Hanukkiah in a window, so that it is visible from outside the house.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו,
וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

*Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu
melekh ha-olam, asher kidshanu
b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner
shel hanukkah.*

Praised are You Adonai, our God
who rules the universe, who made
us holy by giving us mitzvot,
and commanded us to light the
Hanukkah lights.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ
בִּיָּמֵי הָהֵם וּבְזִמָּן הַזֶּה.

*Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu
melekh ha-olam, sheh asah nissim
la-avoteinu ba-yamim ha-hem
u-va-z'man ha-zeh.*

Praised are You Adonai, our
God who rules the universe, who
accomplished miracles for our
ancestors in ancient days, and in our
time.

First Night Only

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
שֶׁהַחַיִּינוּ וְקִיָּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזִּמָּן הַזֶּה.

*Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu
melekh ha-olam, sheh-heh-heyanu,
v'kiy'manu,
v'higiyanu la-z'man ha-zeh.*

Praised are You Adonai, our God
who rules the universe, granting
us life, sustaining us, and enabling
us to reach this time of year.



Please visit pasyn.org/calendar for up-to-date information and additional details on all PAS programming.

Shabbat at PAS

Every 7th day. 52 weeks a year. Since Creation.

Schedule of Religious Services

- Shabbat programming takes place at 87th Street unless indicated otherwise.
- For Young Family Education (YFE) programs, see p. 14.
- For Congregational School (CS) Shabbat programs, see p. 15.
- For Youth and Teens, see p. 16.
- Visit pasyn.org for all worship information.

From Friday evening through Saturday evening, Shabbat at PAS includes lively communal worship in the Sanctuary, alternative services, parashah study, music, dinners, and other programs to refresh your spirit. See below what is happening each Shabbat. Look throughout the Bulletin to find Shabbat programming in each department, and check pasyn.org/shabbat and the “This Week at PAS” email for each week’s programs.

DAILY MINYAN

- Shaharit Monday–Friday at 7:15 am. Sundays and December 25 at 9:00 am. From December 13–20, services will include Hallel and Torah reading for Hanukkah.
- Minha/Ma’ariv Sunday–Thursday at 5:45 pm. During Hanukkah, there will be candle lighting in the lobby immediately afterward.
- Shabbat minha 20 minutes after the end of morning services.

KABBALAT SHABBAT AND SANCTUARY SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE | EVERY SHABBAT

Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove, Rabbi Neil Zuckerman, and Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky preach and conduct the service together with Cantor Azi Schwartz, Cantor Shira Lissek, and Cantor Rachel Brook, with Music Director Colin Fowler and the Synagogue Ensemble: Elisa Singer Strom, soprano; Yonah Gershator, alto; Alex Guerrero, tenor; Tim Krol, bass; Gil Smuskowitz, double bass; Mike Cohen, woodwinds; Ronen Itzik, percussion. Cantor Eric Wasser is our ritual director and Torah reader.

HASHKAMAH (EARLY RISERS) MINYAN | EVERY SHABBAT

A service with repetition of the Amidah and annual cycle Torah reading, all in Hebrew, at a pace that is comfortable for experienced daveners, and a Kiddush afterwards.

SHAHARIT & PARASHAT HASHAVUA | EVERY SHABBAT

P’sukei d’Zimrah and Shaharit, a light Kiddush, and an engaging study of the morning’s Torah portion, ending in time to join the community in the Sanctuary for the Torah service. When there is a Havurah, this service merges with that one.

RAMAH MINYAN | DEC 1

A spirit-filled service for any and all young adults, followed by drinks, snacks, and oneg Shabbat.

HAVURAH | DEC 9

A lay-led, child-friendly, intimate, and informal Torah reading, discussion, and musaf service open to individuals and families of all ages. People of all skill levels are encouraged to participate. Contact Rabbi Witkovsky at ewitkovsky@pasyn.org or x123.

PAS YOUTH CHOIR | EVERY SHABBAT THAT CS IS IN SESSION | 10:00 am

ALL ARE WELCOME | ALWAYS

PAS is an inclusive community. To discuss any accommodations you might need to make your visits and involvement more comfortable, please contact Rachel Benichak, Membership Manager, at rbenichak@pasyn.org or x195.

Can’t make it to the synagogue? Park Avenue Synagogue services are livestreamed. Visit pasyn.org/webcast.

Friday, December 1 • 13 Kislev

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat
7:15 pm | Ramah Minyan
7:30 pm | Scholar-in-Residence Shabbat Dinner (RSVP)
7:30 pm | YCG Shabbat Mix & Mingle (RSVP)

Saturday, December 2 • 14 Kislev

Va-yishlah

9:00 am | Shaharit & Parashat HaShavua
9:00 am | Window on Israel with Clive Lawton and Rabbi Zuckerman
9:45 am | Sanctuary service
11:15 am | YFE Tot Tefillah
Immediately after services | Minha
12:30 pm | Post-Kiddush Learning with Clive Lawton
4:00 pm | Parent/Teen Learning with Clive Lawton
5:00 pm | Minha with Bat Mitzvah of Remi Meltzer

Friday, December 8 • 20 Kislev

6:15 pm | Rock Kabbalat Shabbat with the PAS Rock Band and Parkapellas | Honoring PAS Membership Anniversaries of 18, 36, 54 & More Years
7:30 pm | CS Rock Shabbat Dinner for Grades 5-7 (RSVP)

Saturday, December 9 • 21 Kislev

Va-yeishev
7:30 am | Hashkamah Minyan
9:00 am | Shharit & Parashat HaShavua
9:00 am | Havurah
9:45 am | Sanctuary service with Bat Mitzvah of Alexandra Zwiebel
Immediately after services | Minha
12:30 pm | Reading Jewish Lives Discussion with Rabbi Savenor (p. 10)
5:00 pm | Minha with Bat Mitzvah of Marin Geller

Friday, December 15 • 28 Kislev

Shabbat Hanukkah
Light Hanukkah candles before Shabbat candles.
5:00 pm | YFE Kabbalat Shabbat & Dinner (p. 14)
6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, December 16 • 29 Kislev

Mi-ketz/Shabbat Hanukkah
7:30 am | Hashkamah Minyan
9:00 am | Shharit & Parashat HaShavua
9:45 am | Sanctuary service with Bat Mitzvah of Samantha Dessler
10:00 am | CS Shabbat Experience, Gr 3-6
20 minutes after services | Minha
5:11 pm | Shabbat ends. Light Hanukkah candles.

Friday, December 22 • 4 Tevet

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, December 23 • 5 Tevet

Va-yiggash
7:30 am | Hashkamah Minyan
9:00 am | Shharit & Parashat HaShavua
9:45 am | Shabbat morning service
20 mins after services | Minha

Thursday, December 28 • 10 Tevet

Fast of Asarah b'Tevet
6:07 am | Fast begins
7:15 am | Morning minyan with Torah reading for a public fast day
5:10 pm | Fast ends

Friday, December 29 • 11 Tevet

6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, December 30 • 12 Tevet

Va-y'hi
7:30 am | Hashkamah Minyan
9:00 am | Shharit & Parashat HaShavua
9:45 am | Shabbat morning service
20 mins after services | Minha

Synagogue Family

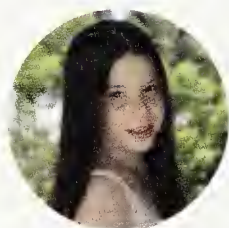
בני מצוה BNEI MITZVAH



Remi Meltzer
December 2, minha | *Va-yeishev*
Daughter of Dana & Gary Meltzer



Alexandra Zwiebel
December 9 | *Va-yeishev*
Daughter of Alissa Fox and Neil Zwiebel



Marin Geller
December 9, minha | *Mi-ketz*
Daughter of Lauren Schor Geller & Martin Geller



Samantha Dessler
December 16 | *Mi-ketz*
Daughter of Lisa & Derek Dessler



Zachary Atlas
December 25, in Israel | *Va-y'hi*
Son of Amy & Rick Atlas

מזל טוב MAZAL TOV

Miriam & Robert Waldman on the birth of a grandson, Ian Joshua Waldman, and to parents Janie & Alexander Waldman

Jill & Andrew Frey on the birth of a daughter, Alana Brooke Frey, and to big sister Elise

Debbie Rosmarin & Michael Shlisky on the birth of a son, Graham Bennett Shlisky, and to big brothers Clark and Reed

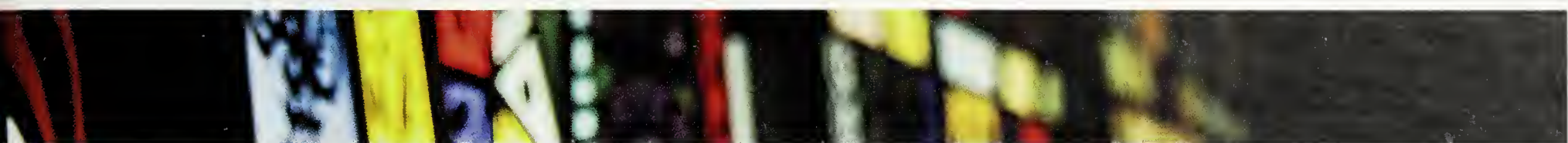
Phyllis & Bernard Leventhal on the marriage of their son Evan Leventhal to Laura Goodman

Nicole & Roy Ben-Dor on the birth of a daughter, Maya Shayne Ben-Dor, and to big brothers Noah and Liam and grandmother Gisele Ben-Dor

Jaar-mel & Peter Sloane on the birth of a grandson, Oliver Ralph Sloane Kushner, and to parents Nessia & Taylor Kushner

Lisa & Larry Cohen on the marriage of their son Eric Cohen to Jenna Schwartz, and to the young couple

Alana & Alexander Krug on the birth of a son, Bennett Krug, and to big sister Estelle



ברוכים הבאים WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jessica Landaw & Robert Beckwitt
Michele Farber & Richard Berger
Randi & Mark Berman
Stuart Brown
Deborah & Steven Cohen
Robbie & Alan Franklin
Sebnem Caglayan & Nicolas Gitron-Beer
Roslyn Gold
Ellen & Morton Hantman
Jeffrey Kahn
Pamela Sherwood-Karlan & Alexander Karlan
Andrea & Jared Kaye
Beth & Joseph Korn
Jenna & David Koslovsky
Lynn & Avigdor Lotan
Philip Lustbader
Susan Matlow
Elizabeth & Josh Miller
Alessandra Rampogna & Alan Mnuchin
Ilana Odess
Mindy & Howard Podolsky
Joan Roth
Nicole & David Sambur
Laura & Jason Schwalbe
Gilda & Jacob Shani
Eileen Bogas Walters
Phyllis & Michael Westreich

המקום ינחם CONDOLENCES

Ulrika & Joel Citron on the loss of his father, Georg Citrom

Lynn & Allen Fishman on the loss of his father, David Fishman

Deanne & Charles Winnick on the loss of his mother, Florence Winnick

Family and friends of Elaine Polson

Elizabeth Miller & James Dinan on the loss of her mother, Phyllis Miller

Joanne Davis, Gabrielle Davis Ginsberg & Jeffrey Ginsberg, Deborah Davis Ascheim & Tom Ascheim, and Meredith Pearlman-Davis & Joshua V. Davis on the loss of their husband and father, Morton Davis

Ellen Braverman & Morton Mackof on the loss of her brother, Michael Braverman

Raymonda Rastegar-Harnick & David Harnick on the loss of his father, Gene Harnick

Robin Cowan & Glenn Kashan on the loss of her brother, Scott Cowan

Judith Nadler on the loss of her husband, Herbert Nadler



FROM THE EDUCATION TEAM
JENNIFER STERN GRANOWITZ, DIRECTOR, CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOL

Congregational School Update

As we near the close of the fall semester, I am excited to update you on the implementation of the Congregational School Visioning Task Force (CSVTF), an ongoing collaboration of the PAS education team, clergy, lay leaders, and CS community. As a result of our comprehensive review of our program last year, our CSVTF areas of focus for this year are the scope and sequence of our core curriculum; Hebrew reading; teacher excellence; and communication/clarifying expectations.

PAS believes that instilling a Jewish education in our children is a partnership between families and the synagogue. This year for the first time, we expressed this partnership through a *brit*, a covenant that outlines the relationship that families and the school enter together. The *brit* describes students' responsibility to be active and respectful participants in class, to honor Shabbat, and other expectations. At the start of the school year, families received the *brit* to read together, and each learner signed a copy. To continue developing the school-home partnership, each grade will celebrate a "Milestone Moment" in their Jewish educational journey, such as receiving their own siddur.

This fall, we shared with our families the CS scope and sequence map, a visual representation of

our curriculum that allows kids, parents, teachers, and community members to see the arc of learning. We have implemented a new Hebrew curriculum which includes experiential Hebrew lessons for K–2 and the introduction of Hebrew reading and decoding at a younger age. You can read the CS *brit*, look at the scope and sequence map, and read about the Hebrew curriculum on our website.

We will begin weekly classes at the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center after Winter Break. We look forward to continuing the implementation of our new curriculum in this new space dedicated to the mission of Jewish education.



Classes

For additional information about classes listed here, visit pasyn.org.

To register for Adult Education classes and events, unless otherwise noted in the description, go to pasyn.org/adultlearning. On the left side of the page, click on "Classes" or on the event and then on the appropriate registration link. Those without internet access may call Beth Levick at x146.

SUNDAY

- **NEW | iEngage: Israel's Milestones and Their Meanings** | A Shalom Hartman Institute Lecture and Study Series | Dec 10 | 10:00 am | Rabbi Zuckerman
\$ (includes bagel breakfast) RSVP

MONDAY

- **Shulhan Ivrit** | Oct 23, Dec 4 | 7:00 pm | Varda Hubara
RSVP
- **Parashah & Pizza** | Cosponsored by Women's Network and Men's Club | Dec 11 | 6:00 pm | Rabbi Savenor

TUESDAY

- **Essential Essays** | No class Dec 26 | 8:00 am | Rabbi Cosgrove
- **Contemporary Jewish Thought** | No class Dec 26 | 11:30 am | Rabbi Zuckerman

WEDNESDAY

- **Rushing to Rashi** | No class Dec 27 | 8:00 am | Cantor Eric Wasser
- **BeMidbar: Leadership Defied and Defended** | Rachel Wasserman Scholars Curriculum of Melton | No class Dec 27 | 6:30 pm | Rabbi Charlie Savenor
- **Rambam: An Introduction to One of the Most Intriguing Thinkers in Jewish History** | No class Dec 27 | 6:30 pm | Rabbi Shmuel Afek
- **Melton: Year 1** | No class on Dec 27 | 7:00 pm | Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky and Rabbi Shmuel Afek

- **NEW Pathways: An Introduction to Judaism** | Interfaith Initiative | Begins Dec 6, no class Dec 27 | 7:00 pm | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman and Shayna Golkow, Rabbinical Intern

For more information, contact Rabbi Zuckerman at nzuckerman@pasyn.org or x121.

Limited costs for materials. RSVP

THURSDAY

- **Melton: Year 2** | No class Dec 28 | 9:15 am | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman and Rabbi Bill Plevan
- **Bereshit I – From Adam to Abraham: The First 20 Generations** | Rachel Wasserman Scholars Curriculum of Melton | No class Dec 28 | 9:15 am | 10 sessions | Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove
- **The New York Jewish Experience: History, Culture, Community** | No class Dec 28 | 9:15 am | Dr. David Kaufman
- **Foundations of Jewish Family Living** | Melton Parenting Course | Dec 7 | 9:20 am | Debbie Cosgrove
- **Library Lunch & Learn**
 - Dec 7 | 12:00 pm | Rabbi Gail Nalven, CS Assistant Director
 - Dec 21 | 12:00 pm | DOROT facilitator
- **Insights from Israel** | Dec 14 | 12:00 pm | Rabbi Michael Graetz (via Skype from Israel)

FRIDAY

- **Talmud Torah** | no class on Dec 29 | 8:00 am | Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky
- **Women in the Bible** | Dec 1 | 9:15 am | Debbie Cosgrove
\$ RSVP

ANY DAY, ANY TIME

- **Study Circles** | Create or join a small learning group to share Jewish texts and values and to build relationships and enhance your Jewish life. Groups may form to study a particular topic or to learn with a particular teacher, or a group may decide to study together and find a teacher and select a topic later. To learn more, visit pasyn.org/studycircles.



This Month at PAS

RSVP = Advance registration required.
\$ = There is a cost for the event.

Midnight Run

Cosponsored by PAS Youth and Tikkun Olam | Sat | Dec 2 | 8:00 pm, Havdalah at PAS before the distribution

RSVP

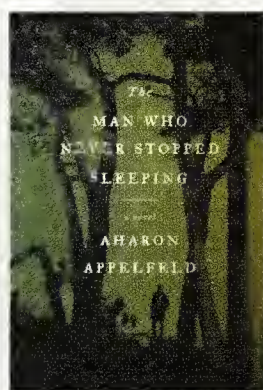
Purim Spiel Kickoff

Sun | Dec 3 | 10:30 am

Evening Book Discussion Group

Mon | Dec 4 | 8:00 pm | Pat Davidson

The Man Who Never Stopped Sleeping by Aharon Appelfeld



Torah on Tap

Wed | Dec 6 | 6:30 pm | Rabbi Zuckerman

Open only to Men's Club members

Please RSVP by December 3 to mensclub@pasyn.org

PAS Music Center Presents Winter Concert: Galeet Dardashti and Divahn

Thu | Dec 7 | 7:00 pm

Iranian-descended singer Galeet Dardashti leads the all-female Middle Eastern Jewish ensemble, Divahn. The New York City-based group has gained an international following with its fresh and fiery renditions of traditional and original Sephardi/Mizrahi Jewish songs: lush string arrangements, eclectic Indian, Middle Eastern, and Latin percussion, and vocals spanning Hebrew, Judeo-Spanish, Persian, Arabic, and Aramaic. *Divahn*, a word common to Hebrew, Persian, and Arabic, means a collection of songs or poetry. Through its music, Divahn underscores common ground between diverse Middle Eastern cultures and religions. Reception to follow.

Cost: \$18/members; \$36/general; free for students with a valid school ID. Purchase tickets at pasyn.org or by calling 212-369-2600, x115.



PAS Community Conversation: The Changing Nature of Jewish Identity in the 21st Century

Master Class: Facilitated by Rabbi Cosgrove and Rabbi Zuckerman
Tue | Dec 12, Jan 16, and spring dates TBA | 7:00 pm


\$ RSVP

Reading Jewish Lives Book Discussion

Steven Spielberg: A Life in Films by Molly Haskell

Sat | Dec 9 | 12:30 pm | Rabbi Savenor

Visit pasyn.org for dates and times of additional discussions.

Reading 
Jewish Lives



Please visit pasyn.org
for updated information and
additional details about all
programming.



Gallery

Transforming the Word:
Continuing the Tradition
of Hebrew Manuscript
Illumination

The Art of Barbara Wolff

Sep–Feb

Barbara Wolff's illuminated texts are created in the tradition of the great medieval Hebrew manuscripts. Made with materials and techniques of the 14th century, and with an awareness of the history, archeology, geography, and customs of ancient Israel, where these texts were first spoken, her illuminations yet reflect a 21st-century sensibility. Visit pasyn.org/gallery to view a video of Barbara Wolff illuminating the final verse of Psalm 104.



RITA AND GEORGE M. SHAPIRO

Audio Archive

Relive PAS History

Our audio archive preserves sermons, musical services, lectures, concerts, and special events recorded in the PAS Sanctuary from 1954 to 2004. Hear selections at pasyn.org/shapiroaudioarchive, jump to the full database to listen to recordings that interest you, and listen to recordings that interest you, and look out for excerpts on the Park Avenue Podcast.



Rothschild Library

Visit pasyn.org/rothschildlibrary to browse the virtual shelves and to search for particular items. Come to the library to check out books and DVDs. For more information, contact Marga Hirsch at mhirsch@pasyn.org or x127.

Librarian Hours

Mon–Thu | 10:00 am–6:30 pm

Fri | by appointment

Whenever the synagogue is open, the library is open.



Travel with PAS

Congregational Trip to Israel Winter Break 2018 Celebrating Israel at 70 and PAS at 136!

At the close of Yom Kippur and at the end of the Passover seder, we proclaim *L'shanah ha-ba'ah biYerushalayim*, next year in Jerusalem! Make it a reality! Travel with PAS on this exciting journey!

Registration opened on November 29, the 70th anniversary of the UN General Assembly vote on the resolution to create the state of Israel. Vote for Israel now by signing up for this historic trip! Space is limited. A waitlist will be maintained for each track after it fills.

More information: Visit posyn.org/Israeltrip2018. Direct questions to Rabbi Charlie Savenor at csavenor@pasyn.org or x136. PAS is an inclusive community. If you require any accommodations to participate in the trip, please contact Rabbi Savenor.

WHEN

**Sunday, December 23–
Sunday, December 30**

Departing New York on Saturday night, December 22 and returning Monday, December 31
Optional pre-trip: First-timers
Introduction to Israel for Adult Learners

WHO

All PAS members are invited to join this Congregational Trip to Israel. Five tracks will each have their own age-appropriate itinerary. All will come together for Shabbat and several unforgettable communal moments.

HOW

Some seats will be available on group flights from NYC to Tel Aviv after Shabbat on December 22 and for the return trip late on the evening of December 30.

You are also welcome to make your own arrangements and meet the group in Tel Aviv on the afternoon of December 23.

WHAT

Five tracks, each with its own itinerary, all staying at the same hotels on most nights, celebrating Shabbat together in Jerusalem and coming together for other special communal moments.
Trip co-chairs: Darcy Dalton and Amy Steiner

Young Family Track, co-chaired by Jessica Cohen and Ali Kwiat; led by Cantor Schwartz

Bnei Mitzvah Family Track, co-chaired by Diane Hess and Stephanie Levey; led by Rabbi Zuckerman

Teen Family Track, co-chaired by David Chasen and Stefanie Katz-Rothman; led by Rabbi Cosgrove

Israel 2.0 for Young Adults and Their Families and Anyone Who Is Young at Heart, co-chaired by Alyssa First, Rachael First, Randi Goldberg, and Vicki Warner; led by Rabbi Witkovsky

Israel Today and Tomorrow, an adult learning track co-chaired by Nadine Habousha Cohen and Mark Hirsch; led by Rabbi Savenor

HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel with the PAS clergy, staff and community to our Jewish homeland
- Discuss the issues of the day
- Meet Israeli leaders and soldiers, innovators, and artists
- Engage in hands-on Israel-based *tikkun olam* (social action) projects
- Celebrate Shabbat in Jerusalem as a PAS community
- Participate in once-in-a-lifetime PAS communal moments



Community Programs at PAS

Scholar-in-Residence at PAS Clive Lawton, Founder of Limmud One scholar, one week, all of PAS

Clive Lawton, a visionary educator who has transformed Jewish learning around the globe, will serve as our inaugural Scholar-in-Residence from December 1 through 7. Clive is the founder of Limmud. The internationally renowned Jewish adult education movement began with a single weeklong study conference in

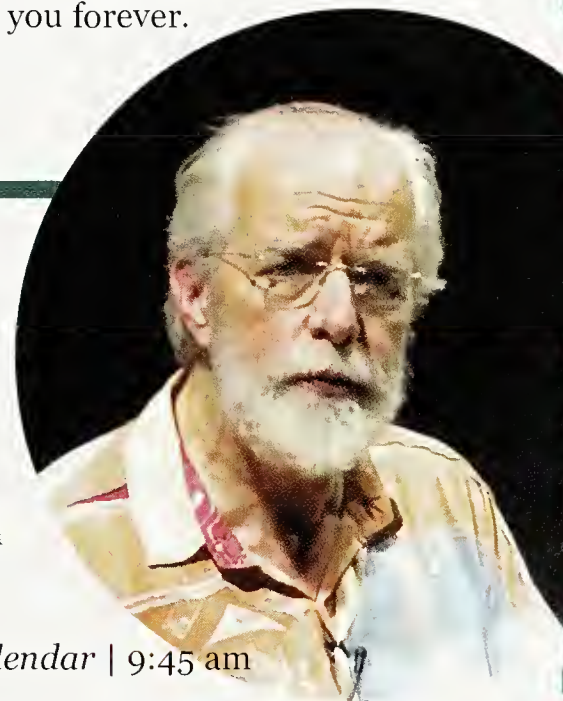
2006 and has grown to include 80 communities in 43 countries on six continents. Bringing his unique perspective on worldwide Jewry, Clive will teach within every PAS education department and conduct training for our leadership, educators, and staff.

Voted No.18 in the UK's Jewish "Power 100" list, Clive Lawton now serves as Senior Consultant to Limmud and as an international management and education consultant. After earning a BA in English and a Postgraduate Certificate of Education from York University, he earned an MA in Theatre and Film Studies, an MEd in Religious Studies, and an MSc in Educational Management. He broadcasts and has written widely

in the fields of religion, ethics, and religious education.

With the opening of the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center in October, our PAS community affirmed our commitment to Talmud Torah, the ongoing pursuit of Jewish learning. Our goal is not only to engage in Torah at every age, but to create a dialogue across the generations about the eternal values that have defined the Jewish people.

In the words of Albert Einstein, "Learning is an experience. Anything else is just information." This month Clive Lawton will do more than teach; he will create a learning experience that will stay with you forever.



HIGHLIGHTS

Fri | Dec 1

- Shabbat Dinner | *Is Being Jewish About Tomorrow or Today?* | 7:30 pm

Sat | Dec 2

- Window on Israel: How Jewish Is Israel? with Rabbi Zuckerman | 9:00 am
- Post-Kiddush Learning: Liberating Jews: The Story of Limmud | 12:30 pm
- Parent/Teen Learning | *Did Your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Make a Difference?* | 4:00 pm

Sun | Dec 3

- Post-Minyan Learning | *It's About Time: The Unique Logic Behind the Jewish Calendar* | 9:45 am

Tue | Dec 5

- Contemporary Jewish Thought | *Is Jewish Ethics About Being Good or Jewish?* | 11:30 am
- CS Grades 5-6 | *What Does It Mean to Grow Up?* | 4:00 pm
- YFE and ECC Parents Cocktail Party | *Why Judaism Isn't All About the Kids* | 7:00 pm

Wed | Dec 6

- Midtown Lunch & Learn | *Hanukkah: Who Really Was Victorious?* | 12:30 pm
- CS Grades 5-7 | *What Does It Mean to Grow Up?* | 4:00 pm
- 12th Grade Seminar | *Does Independence Mean Taking Responsibility or Being Carefree?* | 7:00 pm

Thu | Dec 7

- Adult Learning | *A View from the Middle: The European Jewish Solutions for Israel and American Jewry* | 10:45 am



For latest updates, visit pasyn.org/scholar and watch your inbox.

Youth Education & Events

For additional information about all youth events, please visit pasyn.org.
RSVP = Advance registration required. \$ = There is a cost for the event.

Young Family Education

For the latest information, sign up to receive YFE email. Visit pasyn.org and click on Email Sign-up. For more details, visit pasyn.org/yfe or contact Jamie Diamond, Director, at jdiamond@pasyn.org or x140.

To register for any YFE program, go to pasyn.org and click on Young Family Education. Under Upcoming Events, click on the event.

BABY AND TODDLER CLASSES

Choose from a variety of classes for babies, toddlers, and young children. Bring your friends and meet new ones! For the full list of spring semester classes, and to register, visit pasyn.org and click on Young Family Education.

SHABBAT

• **Tot Tefillah: Young Family Shabbat Morning Services** | Sat | Dec 2 | 11:15 am

• **Kabbalat Shabbat and Pasta Dinner for Families with Young Children** | Fri | Dec 15 | Service 5:00 pm, Dinner approx. 5:30–6:30 pm | Join Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky and Josh Rosenberg for an engaging musical Kabbalat Shabbat. Stay for dinner, activities, and musical entertainment by Joanie Leeds.
RSVP \$

• **Shirat Shabbat** | Fri | Dec 22 | 9:10 am | For toddlers 3 and under with an adult

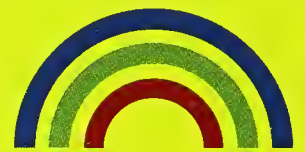
HOLIDAY



• **Young Family Hanukkah Event** | Sun | Dec 17 | 11:00 am | Enjoy music with Shira Kobren, art activities, candle lighting, and food, as we celebrate together on the fifth day of Hanukkah.
RSVP \$

FAMILY PROGRAMS

• **Baby Brigade** | Fri | Dec 15 | 11:00 am
RSVP



Camp Keshet Summer 2017

Registration is open for next summer at Camp Keshet.

Visit pasyn.org to sign up, and look forward to summer days of games, art, songs, and sports!

PASECC

For more information, contact Pamela Schwartz, Director, at pschwartz@pasyn.org or x150.

• **Coffee and Conversation** | Slow Down Parents | Fri | Dec 8 | 9:15 am | Dr. Juliet Cooper

• **Hanukkah Celebrations** | Wed & Thu | Dec 13 & 14

• **Rainbow Time** | Mon | Dec 18 | Talking about Hanukkah



Beginning in January, the Congregational School office will be located in the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center at 11 East 89th St., and most classes will take place there. Find times and locations for each grade at pasyn.org/congregationalschool. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at x139. For up-to-date information about the school's schedule and how to RSVP for events, please rely on the weekly school newsletter.

CS Schedule

Note: All events will take place at 87th Street except for field trips and the K-2 Family Shabbat Experience on December 2.

Sat | Dec 2 | Shabbat Experience Programs

- 10:00 am–12:00 pm | Gimel, Dalet, Hey & Vav (3–6) Family Shabbat Experience
- 11:00 am–12:00 pm | Gan, Alef & Bet (K–2) Family Shabbat Experience (89th St.)

Fri | Dec 8 | 7:30 pm, after Kabbalat Shabbat | Shabbat Dinner for Hey, Vav & Zayin (5–7) Families

Sat | Dec 9 | 10:00 am–12:00 pm | Shabbat Experience Program | Gimel, Dalet, Hey & Vav (3–6) Learners

Sun | Dec 10 | 10:30 am–12:00 pm | Gan (K) Family Trip: Jewish Children's Museum
Please note that this trip was originally scheduled for November 5.



Tue–Thu | Dec 12–14 | Hanukkah Candle Lighting in lobby at dismissal



Fri | Dec 15 | 6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat for Gimel, Dalet, Hey & Vav (3–6) Learners

Sat | Dec 16 | No Shabbat Experience Programs. Join us on Friday evening!

Sun | Dec 17 | 5:00–7:00 pm | Family Hanukkah Party (p. 16)



Sat–Sat | Dec 23–Jan 6 | No CS classes or Shabbat Experience Programs



Please visit pasyn.org/calendar for up-to-date information and additional details on all PAS programming.

POSTCARD FROM CAMP

Archery, Baseball, Climbing ... Jewish Camp ABCs

Brothers Jordan and Asher Klein attend brother camps: Cedar Lake Camp for grades 6–8 and Camp Nah-Jee-Wah for grades 1–5. Both camps are part of the vast NJY Camp family, which also runs specialty athletic, artistic, culinary, and scientific summer programs that feature partnerships with Ben Gurion University. In addition, NJY offers the Round Lake inclusion camp for kids with learning differences, social communication disorders, and ADHD.

While NJY camps provide a multiplicity of options based on ages and interests, they also provide a special Shabbat opportunity called “Sib Viz,” a chance for a family members or friends at different camps to visit each other. Jordan and Asher can enjoy an array of activities, from archery to baseball to vertical gym, and still come together for Shabbat.

If you are considering Jewish camps for your family and have any questions, contact Jewish Camping Committee chair Lynne Bermont at lynnebermont@yahoo.com or Hallie Chandler, Director of Youth Programming and Engagement, at hchandler@pasyn.org.



PAS Youth & RJNHS

For more information and to register for any event, see the Teen or Youth email, visit pasyn.org/youth-rjnhs, or contact Hallie Chandler, Director of Youth Programming and Engagement, at hchandler@pasyn.org or x147.

3RD–5TH/6TH–8TH
GRADERS

Family Hanukkah Party | Sun | Dec 17 | 5:00–7:00 pm | Make memories with PAS friends! Celebrate the 6th night of Hanukkah with games, music, candle lighting, and more! Bring your family menorah and prepare for an evening of lights! Bring a new board game to giftwrap and donate.



RABBI JUDAH NADICH
HIGH SCHOOL (8TH–12TH
GRADERS)

Let's Learn

Shabbat at PAS Parent/Teen Learning with Rabbi Cosgrove and Scholar-in-Residence Clive Lawton | Sat | Dec 2 | 4:00 pm | Did Your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Make a Difference?

Grades 10–11 Scholars Circle | Tue | Dec 5 | 6:00 pm | Rabbi Witkovsky and Scholar-in-Residence Clive Lawton | *The Two Greatest Jewish Contributions to World Civilization*

Grades 8–9 22 Weeks & 22 Topics | Wed | Dec 6, 13, 20 | 6:00 pm | Rabbi Witkovsky, Hallie Chandler, and Pauline Zablow | Dec 6 with Scholar-in-Residence Clive Lawton: *The Jewish Words Every Jew Should Know*

Grade 12, monthly class 12th Grade Seminar | Wed | Dec 6 | 7:00 pm | Rabbi Cosgrove and Scholar-in-Residence Clive Lawton | *Does Independence Mean Taking Responsibility or Being Carefree?*

Let's Learn

Grades 10–11
Brunch & NYC Field Trip | Sun | Dec 10 | 11:00 am

Let's Do

Midnight Run | Sat | Dec 2 | 8:00 pm–12:00 am | Dinner, Havdalah and hot drinks provided.

PAS Food Pantry
• **Packing** | Wed | Dec 6, 13, 20 | 4:00–5:00 pm
• **Distribution** | Fri | Dec; 1, 8, 15, 22 | 3:45–beginning of Shabbat
No Food Pantry the week of December 25–29

PAS PALs | Food Pantry | Wed | Dec 6, 13, 20 | 4:00–5:00 pm | Typically-abled teens partner with teens who have special needs and pack for Food Pantry together. | No Food Pantry packing on December 27

Parkapellas: Teen A Cappella
• **Rehearsal** | Thu | Dec 7 | 5:00 pm
• **Performance**
Rock Kabbalat Shabbat | Fri | Dec 8 | 6:15 pm

PAS Rock Band
• **Rehearsal** | Thu | Dec 7 | 6:00 pm
• **Performance**
Rock Kabbalat Shabbat | Fri | Dec 8 | 6:15 pm

Men's Poker Night | Sun | Dec 10 | 5:00–7:00 pm | For fathers/grandfathers and sons

Ladies' Poker Night | Sun | Dec 10 | 5:00–7:00 pm | For mothers/grandmothers and daughters

Teen Hanukkah Party | Wed | Dec 13 | 6:00–8:30 pm | Our Annual Teen Hanukkah Party at the home of Pauline Zablow. Please bring new stuffed animals, not gift-wrapped, to be donated to a local hospital.



Let's Lead

Teen Leadership Council Meeting | Tue | Date TBA | 7:15 pm

Teen Youth Advisor | Anytime | Mentor PAS youth in grades 3–5.

PASTA: PAS Teacher Assistants

- Service: Mon–Thu | 4:00–6:00 pm | Follows Congregational School calendar; make your own schedule.
- Training–Required: Mon | Dec 11 | 6:00–7:00 pm | Professional Development Session

Let's Go

New York Jets vs. Kansas City Chiefs | Sun | Dec 3 | Depart PAS at 11:15 am for 1:00 pm kickoff | MetLife Stadium

Tea Tuesdays | Tue | Dec 5, 12, 19 | 4:00–5:00 pm | Bluestone Lane (5th Ave at 90th)
Join Hallie to catch up on whatever is on your mind. No RSVP required, just come.

Cream, Cupcake, or Cocoa with Hallie | Anytime | Contact Hallie to set a time for yourself or a teen in your life to have a treat and a chat.



Please visit pasyn.org/pasteens for updated information and additional details about all PAS Youth & RJNHS programming.

Coming home for Winter Break?

Stop in and see us at PAS! Whether at home or away, college students remain part of the PAS family. To stay in touch, we send care packages for the holidays and occasional updates and insights from PAS clergy and educators. Please register or update your student's information at pasyn.org/collegeconnections whenever it changes. For more information, contact Rabbi Witkovsky at ewitkovsky@pasyn.org or x121.



20s and 30s at PAS

Events are open to all PAS young adults and their friends; they need not be members. For information, visit pasyn.org/20s30s, or contact Rabbi Witkovsky at ewitkovsky@pasyn.org or x123.

Ramah Minyan | Fri | Dec 1 | 7:15 pm

Hanukkah Happy Hour | Tue | Dec 12 | 7:30–9:30 pm | Bar 9, 807 9th Ave



Please visit pasyn.org/calendar for up-to-date information and additional details on all PAS programming.



Welcome New Staff!

Welcome to everyone who joined the PAS staff over the past two months!

Shannon Dalrymple

Library Assistant

paslibrary@pasyn.org

Shannon helps keep the library running smoothly by checking books in and out, adding new books to the library collection, and helping prepare for the library's move next spring.

Michael Giraldo

Administrative Assistant to Rabbis Witkovsky and Zuckerman

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Michael likes being at the center of congregational life, meeting all the congregants, staff, and guests who come to the clergy suite.

Robert Martin

Evening Receptionist

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Robert enjoys helping callers and especially meeting congregants at the 87th Street reception window.

Wendy Zepeda

Administrative Assistant, Young Family Education

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Wendy helps publicize and prepare for all the classes, Shabbat and holiday events, and other activities that YFE provides for our smallest congregants and their families.



Caring Network

The Caring Network seeks to foster a caring community by nurturing individuals and families. We provide support, solace, and hope during times of illness, suffering, loss and grief. We also reach out during joyful transitions – birth, adolescence, marriage and beyond. For information about professional support, support groups, and educational opportunities, please visit pasyn.org/caringnetwork.

If you or anyone you know could benefit from the Caring Network, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Rabbi Zuckerman at nzuckerman@pasyn.org or x121.

*You are cordially invited to a triple wedding:
a celebration not only of love and commitment
but of the equality of all Jews.*



A partnership of 92Y, Central Synagogue, Temple Emanu-El, The Israel Religious Action Center, Park Avenue Synagogue and Sutton Place Synagogue

Three Weddings and A Statement

Sun | Dec 3 | 11:00 am | Temple Emanu-El, 1 E. 65th St. | Free, but advance registration requested. RSVP on pasyn.org.

In Temple Emanu-El's historic sanctuary, Rabbi Cosgrove and other prominent rabbis representing Judaism's non-Orthodox movements will join in matrimony three Israeli couples who are deprived of the right to marry at home because they are either gay or not considered Jews according to Israel's chief rabbinate, or because they reject the rabbinate's rigid control over Jewish marriages and divorces. Come to support them and the cause of religious freedom and equal rights in Israel. The roar of *Mazal Tov* will be heard around the world.

Getting Married

Gali Geberovich & Alon Sela

Alona Livne & Ori Berwald

Elizabetha Komkov & Valentine Boldovski

Remarks

Anat Hoffman, Executive Director of the Israel Religious Action Center and Director and Founding Member of Women of the Wall.

Officiating Rabbis

Rabbi Rachel Ain

Rabbi Angela Warnick Buchdahl

Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Rabbi Joshua M. Davidson

Rabbi Peter J. Rubinstein

Rabbi Noa Sattath



Visit pasyn.org to read and hear Rabbi Cosgrove's sermon "Time for a Jewish Reformation," reflecting on the growing divide between the State of Israel and diaspora Jewry, or listen to the sermon on the Park Avenue Podcast, available from iTunes.

"Im tirtzu, ein zo aggadah, "If you will it, it is no dream." These words, spoken by Theodore Herzl as he imagined the upbuilding of the Hebrew homeland, speak to the driving ethic of our people throughout our history. In times good and bad, freedom and persecution, time and again our people have sought to establish those institutions capable of carrying our people forward in strength. The tabernacle set up by the Israelites in their wilderness wanderings. The Temple established by King Solomon in Jerusalem. The edifice of Rabbinic literature constructed in the wake of destruction and exile. The JCC movement set into motion by Mordecai Kaplan and others as European Jewry arrived on American soil. The State of Israel built upon the ashes of the Shoah. In every age, at every stage of history, our people have willed into existence those structures capable of honoring our past, serving the present, and ensuring a vital Jewish future. The dreams were willed into reality and a new chapter of our history opened.

—Rabbi Elliot J. Cosgrove



PAS Dedicates the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center

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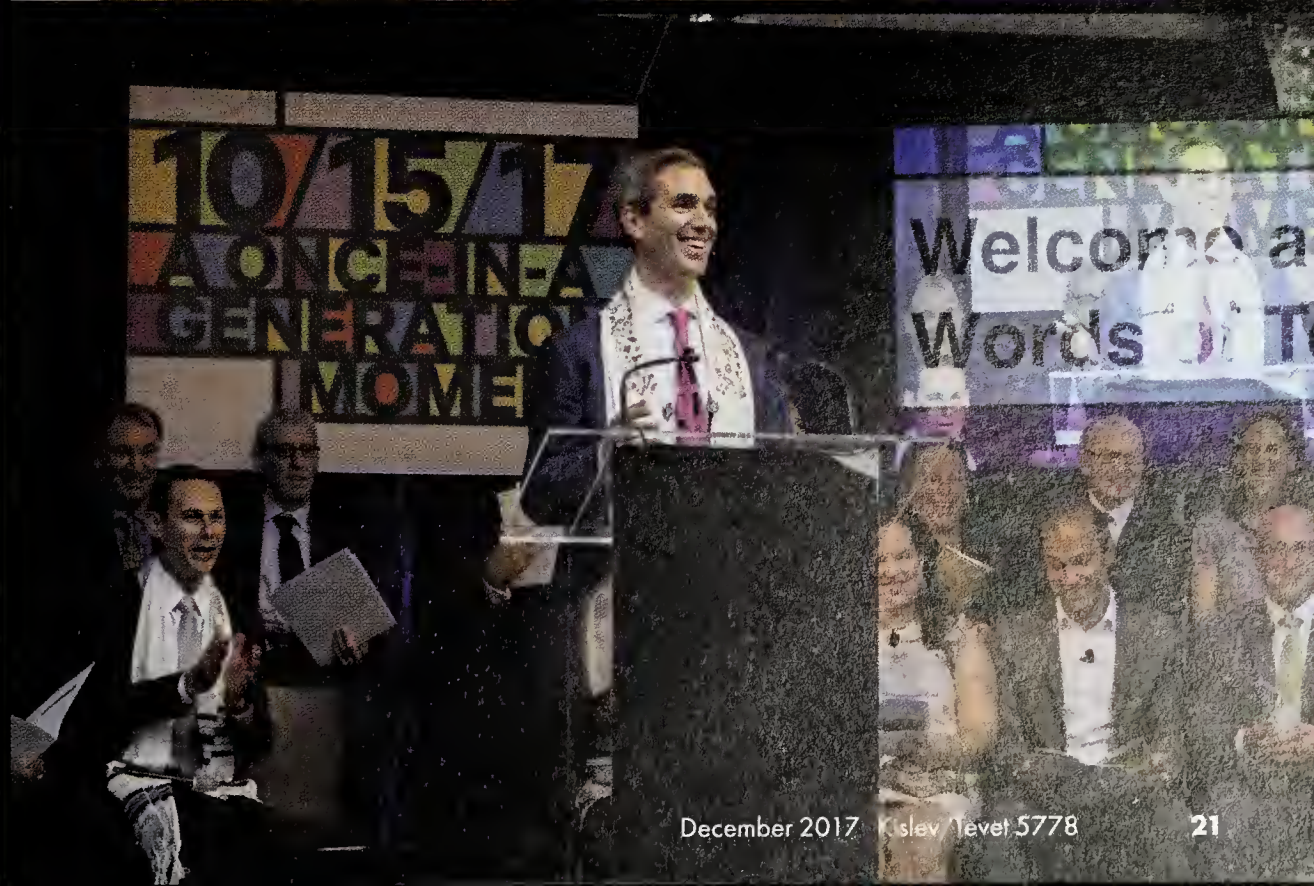
One thousand PAS members of all ages gathered for a community-wide, once-in-a-generation ceremony and celebration on Sunday, October 15, dedicating the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center at 11 East 89th Street, our new state-of-the-art, multimedia learning, worship, and activity center. This milestone event marked the completion of the first phase of a nearly \$80 million capital campaign to create a vibrant campus linking the new building with the congregation's historic home at 50 East 87th Street, which will be revitalized beginning in spring 2018 for occupancy in fall 2019.

The dedication began at 87th Street, with a ceremony taking three Torah scrolls from the ark in the Sanctuary to be installed in their new home



in the ark of the chapel at 89th Street. The Torah procession then wended its way up Madison Avenue accompanied by clergy, officers, and members of the Campaign Cabinet and Space Committee singing and dancing to joyous tunes played by accompanying musicians. Meanwhile, Israeli and klezmer music filled the air where the community awaited the arrival of the Torah scrolls on 89th Street. Congregants' hopes and dreams for our community along with a dynamic video about Park Avenue Synagogue were projected on large screens positioned all along the closed-off block. Children and parents participated in a family art project while waiters offered an array of imaginative snacks and drinks. When the Torah procession arrived, the crowd joined in joyful dancing with the Torah scrolls. The formal program included words of welcome from Rabbi Cosgrove; songs by Cantors Schwartz, Lissek, and Brook; verses of dedication read responsively by clergy, PAS Officers, and senior professional staff with the community; a tribute to Eli M. Black by his son Leon D. Black; unveiling and blessing of the mezuzah and plaque bearing the building's name, a ceremonial ribbon cutting and communal blessing, culminating in the procession bringing the Torah scrolls into the new chapel and the community singing *Etz Hayim Hi* as the scrolls were placed in the ark.

Art Penn, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, noted: "It's been 37 years since Park Avenue Synagogue added additional space or had a substantial renovation. The building of the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center and our entire space project was undertaken because we were bursting





at the seams! Our congregants have become increasingly more involved in the community. We named our campaign “*A Synagogue in Action: Building the Future*” because that accurately reflects Park Avenue Synagogue today. We needed additional classroom, worship, meeting, programming, and celebration space. Never before in our 135-year history have so many of our members come together to support our synagogue. The community has come together so powerfully because we want the future to be influenced by our Jewish faith and values. The synagogue, more than any other institution, plays a unique role in our lives and we are paving the way for our future.”



Andrea Baumann Lustig, Officer and Capital Campaign Chair, thanked the unprecedented number of PAS members who have made the Capital Campaign so successful, saying, “Given the fact that we’ve had 1309 donors so far, our gratitude really does extend to each and every one of you who is here to celebrate today! \$79 million raised to date with 79.3% participation – you made this possible, and I hope each and every one of you takes a moment to feel the pride and joy of being part of this shared legacy.”



Marc Becker, Space Committee Co-chair, added, “Our goal was that the Eli M. Black Lifelong Learning Center would physically epitomize Judaism’s linking of tradition and innovation. The new building will house educational programs for members of all ages and be another

step towards strengthening our community.”

The Center honors the memory of Eli M. Black, Chairman and CEO of United Brands, noted philanthropist and supporter of the State of Israel. In his remarks, Leon D. Black quoted from a sermon his father wrote as a 21-year-old rabbi in 1942, when European Jewry was at the brink of annihilation during the Holocaust. His father expressed hopes for the survival of the Jewish people and the continuity of Jewish tradition, values, and learning.

The Capital Campaign, “*A Synagogue in Action: Building the Future*,” was headed by Honorary Co-chairs John B. Hess, Leon D. Black, Ralph Lauren, and David Simon and driven by Steering Committee members Art Penn, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Rabbi Elliot J. Cosgrove; Andrea Bauman Lustig, Capital Campaign Chair; Marc Becker, Space Committee Co-chair; and Beryl P. Chernov, Executive Director. The Campaign was supported by countless volunteers, including the Community Calling Committee led by Stephanie Leichter and Andy Heller, and the Campaign Cabinet, as well as by PAS staff members. The dedication celebration was coordinated by Jean Bloch Rosensaft and Susan Brous Silverman, Co-chairs, and Laura S. Yamner, Director of Development.



To see more photos, read Rabbi Cosgrove's and Art Penn's remarks, and read an article about the dedication in *The Jewish Week*, visit pasyn.org/dedication. To make a donation, please visit pasyn.org/giving.

Kol Nidrei Appeal 5778

Our annual Kol Nidrei Appeal is vital to the continued success of all aspects of Park Avenue Synagogue life. Since dues cover only 66% of our budget, we rely on the generosity of our members for financial security and stability. In addition, the Kol Nidrei Appeal ensures that no congregant is turned away for financial reasons.

As Rabbi Cosgrove stated in his sermon, "The Company We Keep,"

"[No] synagogue can right the wrongs of the world or make the pain go away. But what a synagogue can do, a good one at least, is direct a community's attention to the world as it ought to be. It is in the synagogue that the young learn to respect the old, and the old learn to invest in the future of the young. It is here that we build up generations of *menschen*."

Thank you to the *menschen* listed below who have supported our community by making a contribution to this year's Kol Nidrei Appeal. Each and every gift is important. If you have not yet pledged, please be a *mensch* and donate online at pasyn.org/giving/kol-nidrei-appeal.

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Liliane & Abraham Yurkofsky.
Susan Smirnoff & Kirk Zachary.
Marlene Zausner, in honor of her grandchildren, David and Jacob.
Arlyne Zeichner, in memory of Irving Aaron Bailey.
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December

PAS Calendar of Events • December 2017 • Kislev/Tevet 5778
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																
<p>• Weekday Shahrarit Monday–Friday at 7:15 am; Sundays and Monday, December 25 at 9:00 am. • Minha/ma'ariv Sunday–Thursday at 5:45 pm. Shabbat minha 20 minutes after the end of morning services. For a complete listing of Shabbat programming, see p. 4.</p> <div></div> <div>3</div> <div>9:45 am Scholar-in-Residence 10:30 am Purim Spiel Kickoff 11:00 am Three Weddings 11:15 am Teens: Jets game</div>	<div>10</div> <div>22 Kislev</div> <div>10:00 am iEngage 10:30 am CS K Museum Trip 11:00 am RJNHS NYC Trip 5:00 pm Teen Dads & Sons 5:00 pm Teen Moms & Dtrs</div>	<div>11</div> <div>23 Kislev</div> <div>6:00 pm Parashah & Pizza 6:00 pm PASTA training</div>	<div>12</div> <div>24 Kislev</div> <div>8:00 am Essential Essays 11:30 am Contemp J Thought 4:00 pm Teen Tea Tuesdays 7:00 pm Cmty Conversation 7:30 pm 20s/30s Hanukkah</div>	<div>13</div> <div>25 Kislev</div> <div>8:00 am Rushing to Rashi 4:00 pm Food Pantry & PALS 6:00 pm Teen Hanukkah Party 6:30 pm Melton BeMidbar 6:30 pm Melton Rambam 7:00 pm Melton Year 1 7:00 pm Pathways</div>	<div>14</div> <div>26 Kislev</div> <div>9:15 am Melton Year 2 9:15 am Melton Bereshit 9:15 am Melton NY Exper 12:00 pm Insights from Israel</div>	<div>15</div> <div>27 Kislev</div> <div>8:00 am Talmud Torah 11:00 am Baby Brigade 3:45 pm Food Pantry 5:00 pm YFE Kab Shabbat 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat</div>	<div>16</div> <div>28 Kislev • Mi-ketz Shabbat Hanukkah</div> <div>7:30 am Hashkamah 9:00 am Shahrarit & Parashah 9:45 am Sanctuary svce 20 mins after svces, Minha</div>	<div>17</div> <div>29 Kislev</div> <div>11:00 am YFE Hanukkah 5:00 pm Youth Family Hanukkah Party</div>	<div>18</div> <div>30 Kislev</div> <div>8:00 am Rushing to Rashi 4:00 pm Food Pantry & PALS 6:00 pm RJNHS 22 Weeks 6:30 pm Melton BeMidbar 6:30 pm Melton Rambam 7:00 pm Melton Year 1 7:00 pm Pathways</div>	<div>19</div> <div>1 Tevet</div> <div>8:00 am Essential Essays 11:30 am Contemp J Thought 4:00 pm Teen Tea Tuesdays</div>	<div>20</div> <div>2 Tevet</div> <div>8:00 am Rushing to Rashi 4:00 pm Food Pantry & PALS 6:00 pm RJNHS 22 Weeks 6:30 pm Melton BeMidbar 6:30 pm Melton Rambam 7:00 pm Melton Year 1 7:00 pm Pathways</div>	<div>21</div> <div>3 Tevet</div> <div>9:15 am Melton Year 2 9:15 am Melton Bereshit 9:15 am Melton NY Exper 12:00 pm Insights from Israel</div>	<div>22</div> <div>4 Tevet Candles, 4:14 pm</div> <div>8:00 am Talmud Torah 11:00 am Baby Brigade 3:45 pm Food Pantry 5:00 pm YFE Kab Shabbat 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat</div>	<div>23</div> <div>5 Tevet • Va-yiggash</div> <div>7:30 am Hashkamah 9:00 am Shahrarit & Parashah 9:45 am Sanctuary svce 20 mins after svces, Minha</div>	<div>24</div> <div>6 Tevet</div> <div>11:00 am YFE Hanukkah 5:00 pm Youth Family Hanukkah Party</div>	<div>25</div> <div>7 Tevet PAS offices closed</div>	<div>26</div> <div>8 Tevet</div> <div>8:00 am Essential Essays 11:30 am Contemp J Thought 4:00 pm Teen Tea Tuesdays</div>	<div>27</div> <div>9 Tevet</div> <div>8:00 am Rushing to Rashi 4:00 pm Food Pantry & PALS 6:00 pm RJNHS 22 Weeks 6:30 pm Melton BeMidbar 6:30 pm Melton Rambam 7:00 pm Melton Year 1 7:00 pm Pathways</div>	<div>28</div> <div>10 Tevet Fast of Asarah b'Tevet</div>	<div>29</div> <div>11 Tevet Candles, 4:19</div> <div>9:10 am YFE Shirat Shabbat 3:45 pm Food Pantry 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat</div>	<div>30</div> <div>12 Tevet • Va-y'hi</div> <div>7:30 am Hashkamah 9:00 am Shahrarit & Parashah 9:45 am Sanctuary svce 20 mins after svces, Minha</div>	<div>31</div> <div>13 Tevet</div> <div>7:30 am Hashkamah 9:00 am Shahrarit & Parashah 9:45 am Shabbat morning service 20 mins after services Minha</div>



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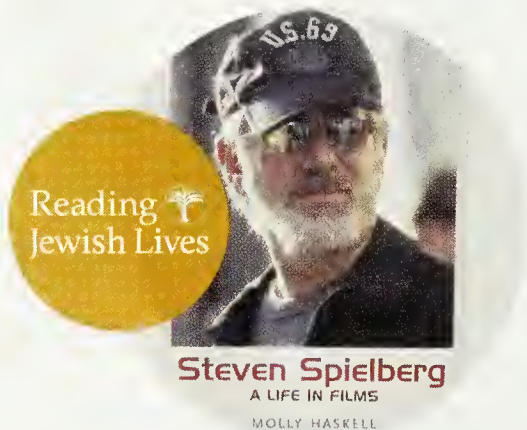
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Reading Jewish Lives Author Event with Molly Haskell

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Tue | Jan 9 | 7:00 pm



The Leiman Maisel Family Shabbaton

Fri-Sat | Jan 26-27

Rabbi Daniel Gordis

Community Conversation with Rabbi Daniel Gordis and Rabbi David Ellenson

Sun | Jan 28 | 10:30 am-12:00 pm